

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ  
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

6:15 P.M. May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara St, 8th Fl, Room T-847  
San José, CA 95113

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

- (a) **Call to Order/Introductions** – The meeting was called to order at 6:26 pm.

Members Present

Brandon Alvarado, Chair  
Daniel Filip, Vice Chair  
George Voon  
Michael Norris  
Diane Solomon  
Emily Schwing

Members Absent

Timm Borden  
Lucy Chavez  
Gail Seeds  
Scott Broberg  
Richard Coolman

City Staff

Ryan Smith, Department of Transportation  
Yves Zsutty, Parks Department

Members of the Public

Tim, Resident  
Stan Dutro, Sierra Club  
Scott Nies, Resident  
Lloyd Cha, Resident  
Jaime Fearer, California Walks  
Anonymous community member

- (b) **Approve Order of Business** – Items (f)(1) and (f)(2) were moved to be heard after item (c). Order of business approved without objection.

- (c) **Public Forum**

Member of the Public Scott Mase submitted photographs of Class II bike lane signs used on Class IV bikeways on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Downtown San Jose. Mase expressed concern that the inappropriate use of the sign would lead to public confusion and potentially to citations issued to bicyclists riding in the street on Class IV segments, where they are allowed to ride.

- (d) **Approve Minutes of August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, and April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019** – All meeting minutes were approved 6-0-0.

- (e) **Old Business**

(1) **VTA Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Update** – VTA BPAC Rep. Jaime Fearer provided updates on Vision Zero San Jose and advocated for a member of San Jose BPAC to be on the Vision Zero San Jose coalition. Fearer also mentioned that San Jose's Vision Zero program should be funded through the City's general fund so that there is a dedicated funding source and that San Jose isn't constantly competing with cities across the

state for limited grant funds. Fearer also noted that San Jose missed an opportunity to vote on a TDA-3 funding item on the VTA BPAC agenda.

**(2) Discussion of BPAC workplan and future agenda items** – Deferred without objection to next BPAC term (July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019).

**(f) New Business**

**(1) San Jose Parks Department Activate SJ Plan Overview** – Yves Zsuttu of the City’s Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services gave the Committee an overview of the Department’s ActiveSJ Plan and asked for comments. Comments included:

- How is the quality of a park determined?
- Parks need better maintenance
- Viva CalleSJ is a great example of public life
- Trail conditions make users feel vulnerable
- Floods on trails are an issue
- All trails need to be connected
- Highway 87 Bikeway is the “worst one”
- Trails need more policing

**(2) Status Update on Committee Vacancies** – The Committee welcomed new members Emily Schwing and Diane Solomon.

**(g) Staff Report** – Staff member Smith gave the Committee information on the upcoming NACTO conference regarding Viva CalleSJ and Better Bikeways.

**(h) Chairperson’s Comments** – Chair Alvarado reminded the group of the forthcoming Ride of Silence.

**(i) Committee Comments** – Diane Solomon reminded the Committee of the Bike Fest at Viva Calle SJ on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

**(j) Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.